[Mr. R. Krishna Pillai.]

College Admissions.

130. MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN (*Muvattupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the number of students belonging to the Brahmin, Nair, Christian, Ezhava and Mahomedan communities who applied for admission to His Highness the Maha Raja's College, Trivandrum, this year, and the number of those who were given admission from each of these communities?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The statement* called for by the member is laid on the table.

Applications for counting Foreign Service.

131. MR. V. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): (*a*) Has any officer in the Forest Department sent in applications through the Conservator of Forests for recommendations to Government for counting his service secured outside the State as service in Travancore?

(*b*) If so, will the Government be pleased to state the name of the officer, the nature of his applications and their result?

MR. S. PARAMESVARA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): No application of the kind referred to by the member is before Government.

Cases under Income-tax Regulation.

132. MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): With reference to paragraph 5 of Government proceedings No. 17, dated the 7th January, 1923, will the Government be pleased to state the year, the total amount of income-tax collected, and the total number of assessees in that year, in Mysore and the Madras Presidency, with which Travancore is compared in respect of incidence of taxation?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): The information required by the member is given below:—

	Year.	*Amount of income-tax collected.*	*No. of assessees.*
		Rs.	
Mysore State ...	1920-1921	7,58,964	3,638
Madras Presidency ...	1919-1920	1,07,15,071	34,166

P. W. D. Budget for 1098.

133. MR. V. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that a very large portion of the budgeted allotment for the P. W. D. for the year 1098 remains unexpended; and

(*b*) if so, the amount left unspent till the month of Edavam, 1098 and the amount at present?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The answer is in the negative.

* *Vide* Appendix III—page 512.

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(*b*) The amount left unobursed at the end of Edavam, 1098, is Rs. 7,32,000 on works. It is not possible until the year's accounts are closed to say what the present unspent amount is.

P. W. D. Budget Allotment for 1098.

134. MR. A. HOOGEWERF (*Nominated*): (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact that a great portion of the P. W D. budget allotment has not been spent and that urgent orders have been issued to spend the amount before the end of the year and whether works are being rushed through?

(*b*) What percentage of the total allotment for the year under works and communications has been spent—

(i) during Edavam, 1098;
(ii) during Mithunam, 1098; and
(iii) up to the end of Mithunam, 1098?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) The member's attention is invited to the answer furnished to part (*a*) of question No. 133. In view of that answer, the second part of the question does not arise. Government have no information that works are being hurriedly executed.

(*b*) The member's classification of expenditure under 'works and communications' is not understood. Hence it is not possible to answer the question.

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